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COMPLETE LISTING OF ALL CLAIMS

Kindly cancel claim 1, amend claims 2, 22 and 25-33 and add new claim 34 as shown in the listing of claims below. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application.

- 1 1. (cancel)
- 2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 A method for treating a substrate surface,
- 2 comprising the steps of:
- coiling one or more substrates into one or more soils in such a way that adjacent turns of the
- 4 coils do not touch one another;
- 5 placing the one or more coiled substrates in a treatment chamber; and
- 6 in the treatment chamber, treating substantially an entire surface of the one or more coiled
- 3 substrates with a surface treatment process, wherein the surface treatment process includes
- 8 one or more atomic layer deposition (ALD) reactions.
- 3. (original) The method of claim 2 wherein the one or more ALD reactions include exposing
- the surface of the coiled substrate to a reactant vapor of the type MCl_x, where M is a metal
- and x is an integer from one to four.
- 4. (original) The method of claim 3, wherein the one or more ALD reactions include exposing
- 2 the surface of the coiled substrate to water vapor.
- 1 5. The method of claim 3 wherein MCl_x is TiCl₄.
- 6. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 wherein the surface treatment process includes
- 2 anodization.
- (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 wherein the surface treatment process includes drying.
- 1 8. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 wherein the surface treatment process includes
- 2 annealing.
- 9. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 wherein the surface treatment process includes exposure
- 2 to reactive gas or vapor.
- 1 10. (withdrawn) The method of claim 9 wherein the exposure to reactive gas or vapor includes
- 2 selenization.
- 1 11. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 where the surface treatment includes anodization.

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- 1 12. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 where the surface treatment includes electrodeposition.
- 1 13. (withdrawn) The method of claim 1 where the surface treatment includes electropolishing.
- 1 14. (currently amended) The method of claim [[1]] 2 wherein coiling the substrate includes
- attaching an end of a roll of substrate material to a carousel, rotating the carousel while
- 3 unrolling the substrate material from the roll to coil the substrate around the carousel, and
- 4 placing one or more spacers between adjacent layers of the coiled substrate before the
- 5 carousel completes a turn.
- 1 15. (original) The method of claim 14 wherein each spacer touches a back surface of the
- 2 substrate but not a front surface of the substrate.
- 1 16. (original) The method of claim 14 wherein placing one or more spacers includes stacking one
- 2 or more spacers on top of one another.
- 1 17. (currently amended) The method of claim [[1]] 2 wherein coiling the substrate includes
- attaching an end of a roll of substrate material to a carousel, moving the roll of substrate
- 3 material around the carousel while unrolling the substrate material from the roll to coil the
- 4 substrate around the carousel, and placing spacers between adjacent layers of the coiled
- substrate before the roll completes a turn about the carousel.
- 1 18. (currently amended) The method of claim [[1]] 2 wherein the one or more substrates include
- 2 two or more substrates coiled side-by-side on a carousel.
- 1 19. (currently amended) The method of claim [[1]] 2 wherein coiling one or more substrates into
- 2 one or more coils in such a way that adjacent turns of the coils do not touch one another
- includes placing a spacer tape between adjacent turns of the substrate.
- 1 20. (original) The method of claim 19 wherein the spacer tape is orientated substantially parallel
- 2 to a length of the substrate.
- 1 21. (original) The method of claim 19 wherein the spacer tape includes one or more passages
- 2 running substantially along a width of the spacer tape.
- 22. (currently amended) The method of claim-1 A method for treating a substrate surface.
- 2 comprising the steps of:
- 3 coiling one or more substrates into one or more coils in such a way that adjacent turns of the
- 4 coils do not touch one another;

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- 5 placing the one or more coiled substrates in a treatment chamber; and
- in the treatment chamber, treating substantially an entire surface of the one or more coiled
- 7 substrates with a surface treatment process.
- wherein coiling one or more substrates includes attaching two substrates together back-to-
- 9 back to form a dual substrate and coiling the dual substrate.
- 23. (original) The method of claim 22, further comprising separating the two substrates after they
- 2 have been treated in the treatment chamber.
- 1 24. (withdrawn) A substrate surface treatment system, comprising:
- 2 a surface treatment chamber;
- a carousel adapted to receive a flexible substrate material as a coil, the carousel being sized
- 4 to be received within the chamber with the substrate material coiled around the carousel in
- 5 one or more turns;
- a winding mechanism configured to coil the substrate material about the carousel to form a
- 7 coiled substrate; and
- 8 one or more spacers, the spacers being configured to space apart adjacent turns of the coiled
- 9 substrate in such a way that the adjacent turns of the coiled substrate do not touch one
- 10 another; and
- a mechanism adapted to place one or more of the spacers between adjacent layers of the
- 12 coiled substrate before the winding mechanism winds a full turn of the substrate material
- 13 about the carousel.
- 1 25. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] 24, further comprising one or
- 2 more sources of reactant gas coupled to the chamber, the reactant gas being of a type suitable
- 3 for performing atomic layer deposition.
- 26. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] 24, wherein the chamber is an
- 2 anodization chamber.
- 27. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] 24, wherein the carousel is in the
- shape of a polygonal cylinder.
- 1 28. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[25]] 27 wherein the carousel is in the
- shape of a hexagonal cylinder.

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- 29. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] 24 wherein the spacers can be secured in place with respect to the carousel.
- 30. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] 24 wherein the spacers can stack on top of one another.
- 1 31. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[22]] <u>24</u>, wherein the spacers include 2 one or more spacer tapes.
- 32. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[29]] 31 wherein the spacer tapes run substantially parallel to a length of the substrate.
- 33. (withdrawn, currently amended) The system of claim [[29]] 31 wherein at least one spacer tapes is located proximate a side of the substrate.
- 1 34. (new) An apparatus for treating a substrate surface, comprising:
- 2 means for coiling one or more substrates into one or more coils in such a way that adjacent
- 3 turns of the coils do not touch one another;
- 4 treatment chamber means; and
- 5 means for treating in the treatment chamber substantially an entire surface of the one or more
- 6 coiled substrates with a surface treatment process,
- 7 wherein the surface treatment process includes one or more atomic layer deposition (ALD)
- 8 reactions.